
SENATE BILL 6826

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By Senators Hargrove, Stevens, and Carrell; by request of Department of Corrections

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1 AN ACT Relating to search and seizures of offenders and their
2 property in department of corrections field offices; and amending RCW
3 9.94A.631.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 9.94A.631 and 1984 c 209 s 11 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 If an offender violates any condition or requirement of a sentence,
8 a community corrections officer may arrest or cause the arrest of the
9 offender without a warrant, pending a determination by the court or a
10 department of corrections hearing officer. If there is reasonable
11 cause to believe that an offender has violated a condition or
12 requirement of the sentence, an offender may be required to submit to
13 a search and seizure of the offender's person, residence, automobile,
14 or other personal property. For the safety and security of department
15 staff, an offender may be required to submit to pat searches or other
16 limited security searches by community corrections officers,
17 correctional officers, and other agency approved staff, without
18 reasonable cause, when present on department premises or vehicles. A
19 community corrections officer may also arrest an offender for any crime

1 committed in his or her presence. The facts and circumstances of the
2 conduct of the offender shall be reported by the community corrections
3 officer, with recommendations, to the court or department of
4 corrections hearing officer.

5 If a community corrections officer arrests or causes the arrest of
6 an offender under this section, the offender shall be confined and
7 detained in the county jail of the county in which the offender was
8 taken into custody, and the sheriff of that county shall receive and
9 keep in the county jail, where room is available, all prisoners
10 delivered to the jail by the community corrections officer, and such
11 offenders shall not be released from custody on bail or personal
12 recognizance, except upon approval of the court or authorized
13 department staff, pursuant to a written order.

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